

# DOCTOR WHO ATTENDED VIRGINIA RAPPE SOUGHT BY PROSECUTION

## EVIDENCE BELIEVED IMPORTANT

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preliminary hearing through startling medical testimony in which they place reliance. It is understood it was this report that sent the State scurrying in an effort to find Dr. Beardslee.

When District Attorney Matthew Brady, in the court of Police Judge Sylvan Lazarus yesterday announced that "the people are ready to proceed on the murder charge," he blasted hopes of the defense that Arbuckle would be given his liberty on \$5,000 bond, which was set by the court when a grand jury indictment charging the defendant with manslaughter was returned.

It was indicated that the prosecution's decision to go on trial on the murder charge was a surprise to the defense.

From Los Angeles came reports that Arbuckle already had made train reservations for a trip from San Francisco to that city last evening. Murder is not a bailable charge in California.

### County Opens Purse.

District Attorney Brady has the support of the board of county supervisors in his prosecution of Arbuckle. It was shown yesterday when the finance committee of that body appropriated \$1,000 for immediate expenses of the trial and promised more when needed. Brady had asked the board for additional funds, declaring much wealth would be expended by the defense.

Mrs. Bambina Maude Delmont, who swore to the murder charge on which Arbuckle yesterday appeared in court, viewed Miss Rappe's body yesterday and suffered a partial collapse. The body was sent last night to Los Angeles on the Lark, a Southern Pacific express train.

Robert H. McCormick, assistant United States district attorney in charge of liquor prohibition prosecutions, said that he expected to present to the Federal grand jury Tuesday evidence that liquor was served and consumed at the party given by Arbuckle, in which Miss Rappe was alleged to have received her fatal injuries.

Subpoenas were issued yesterday summoning Lowell Sherman and Fred Fishback, declared to have been guests at the party, to appear before the United States grand jury here. Sherman and Fishback were questioned on Thursday concerning liquor alleged to have been consumed at the Arbuckle party. According to Robert Camarillo, assistant United States district attorney, Fishback said more than forty quarts of liquor were consumed in three days at the Arbuckle apartments.

Sherman was released today from a contract with a large motion picture production company here.

### Searching for Physician.

A development yesterday was the announcement that Dr. Arthur Beardslee, house physician at the St. Francis hotel and the physician who first attended Miss Rappe, is being sought by the authorities.

But even so, it was necessary to lock the courtroom doors a half hour before the case was scheduled for hearing. The corridors of the hall of justice were jammed with men and women.

The presence of the women was in marked contrast with Arbuckle's first court appearance—then there were not a half dozen present.

Stern and dignified there arrived early a committee of club women assigned by the Women's Vigilance Committee to watch over the proceedings to the end that they may be assured "justice is done."

### GERMAN BANKERS TRY

#### FOR INDEMNITY DEAL

BERLIN, Sept. 17.—A group of German bankers today informed Chancellor Wirth they would mortgage their industrial property in foreign countries and raise 1,500,000,000 gold marks to insure payment of the next indemnity installment if the government will alter its btax program.



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## MISS RAPPE MADE HIT IN HER PAJAMA POSES



A New Picture of Virginia Rappe, Victim of Arbuckle's Wild Rum Party.

## Three Life Tragedies Show Decay of Moral Instinct in Young Girls

By WINNIFRED BLACK.  
Noted Writer on Women's Affairs.  
Written expressly for International News Service.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 17.—Dead, in misery and disgrace!

Dead, in shame and humiliation.

Dead, in agony and despair.

Olive Thomas—in Paris!

Billy Carleton—in London!

Virginia Rappe—in San Francisco!

Three young, beautiful girls, full of life and the joy of living!

And every one of them died in a way that would have made the mother who bore them wish they had strangled in their cradles, if she could have looked ahead and visioned even dimly the horror that came to them!

What does it all mean—where is it all going to end?

This girl who died in San Francisco the other day in hideous agony has never been connected in any way with any scandalous stories of disgraceful parties before.

She was a quiet, well-behaved, modest girl, they say, intelligent and well enough accustomed to the ways of the world to know what "wild parties" meant.

How did she happen to go to such an orgy, and after she got there, when she found out the sort of "party" it was, why didn't she leave the place immediately?

What was a self-respecting, proud, high-hearted girl doing at such a place?

Just exactly what hundreds and perhaps even thousands of other girls are doing, day in and day out, and night in and night out, all over this country.

The old-fashioned rules that protected girls who had not sense enough to protect themselves have all been broken.

Ten years ago the girl who would go to a man's room in a hotel, party or no party, would have thrown away her good name the instant the fact of her visit was known.

Ten years ago any woman who stayed for ten minutes in a room with a half-drunken man would have been considered no better than the man.

Ten years ago girls of decent reputation did not frequent the company of men who were known to be shameless and disgusting brutes.

Since the war all this is changed. All the fences are down, all the rules are "back numbers," and half the girls we meet in the street and see at the theater and know in the homes of our best friends are subjected day after day to dangers of which their mothers never dreamed.

All over the world the situation is nothing less than appalling, and in America it is worse than anywhere else.

Everybody who knows anything about Arbuckle or his kind at all ought to know what a "party" given by him will mean.

But he is rich; he owns a \$25,000 automobile and has goodness knows how many servants and valets and hangers-on of every description.

Besides he's a celebrity.

Bermuda Hotels Are Damaged by Hurricane

HALIFAX, N. S., Sept. 17.—Much damage has been done to hotels in Hamilton by the hurricane which has been sweeping the Bermuda Islands since Wednesday night, says a cable message from Hamilton.

The Belmont, Point Pleasant and Colonial Hotels have been unroofed and the Hamilton Hotel grill demolished. Electric light and transportation service has been disorganized and communication between the islands cut off.

Many small boats have been sunk or driven ashore.

## WOMEN GUARDED UNTIL "FATTY" GOES ON TRIAL

Witnesses Kept in Strict Seclusion Under District Attorney's Orders.

By FRED BLUM.  
International News Service.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., Sept. 17.—Women witnesses scheduled to take the stand for the prosecution in the case of the people versus Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle have suddenly disappeared from the public eye.

While a curious city impatiently awaits their testimony and the trial, they spend the hours in deepest meditation and solitude.

The foresight of the district attorney has placed them in the very heart of seclusion, each within a private home. They are under heavy constant guard.

Women in Seclusion.

"The women are under voluntary seclusion," District Attorney Matthew Brady explained today when questioned on the whereabouts of the prospective witnesses.

Removed from the maddening presence of those who with her passed through the tragic party scene following which Virginia Rappe died, Mrs. Bambina Maude Delmont is slowly acquiring the strength to help her through the coming ordeal of judge and jury.

Less tragic are the hours in their procession for pretty and dainty Alice Blake, whose eyes have also seen and who too, has heard and knows the details of the Arbuckle party in the St. Francis. Alice appears to be reaping full benefit of her "vacation," as she calls it.

To Be Witnesses.

And somewhere in San Francisco is Zeh Prevost. Nor are her thoughts on those who wait and watch upon her. She, too, will tell what she knows about the "ill party" and her share in it when requested to take the stand.

Other women who will be called are Miss Vera Chamberland, whose testimony during the inquest started the courtroom, and Mrs. Jean Jameson, another nurse, the first to attend the deceased through the agonizing hours that preceded death.

When the case is called, then will these women step out from obscurity and tell of the indelible scenes that have burned and seared themselves into their conscience.

Shipping Board Cuts Expenses Fifty Millions

Lasker Says Organization Can Run on One-half Appropriation Next Year.

By International News Service.

The United States Shipping Board will be able to operate next year with a \$50,000,000 Congressional appropriation—half of the present amount allotted for its operation, Chairman A. D. Lasker announced today.

"The time is in sight," Lasker declared, "when there will be an end to the drain of the Shipping Board on the country's resources."

Lasker stated that the Shipping Board's loss in July of this year was \$5,700,000, and that this deficit would be reduced hereafter to \$5,000,000 per month. He compared this amount with an estimated monthly loss of \$11,000,000 last year.

In operating the Shipping Board with a \$50,000,000 appropriation, Lasker said, all new construction will be made up by the sale of old ships and from other sources.

"With any sort of world trade," Lasker said, "and with the operation of the Jones merchant marine act as it was designed to be administered, all Shipping Board losses will be eliminated."

Launch Nutmeg State, World's Costliest Ship

BALTIMORE, Sept. 17.—The steamship Nutmeg State, sister ship to the Hawkeye State, which is said to be the costliest vessel ever built, was launched today from the Baltimore plant of the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Company.

Miss Nancy Medora Templeton, of Hartford, Conn., daughter of Lieut. Gov. Charles A. Templeton, of Connecticut, for which State the new ship was named, was sponsor for the vessel. Miss Templeton was accompanied by her mother. The Nutmeg State is the last vessel under contract for construction at the local plant for the United States Shipping Board. The board has not announced the name of the company to which the new vessel will be allocated.

Man Who Stole Airplane Believed to Be Injured

CHICAGO, Sept. 17.—Injury and perhaps death is believed to have followed the theft of an airplane from W. C. Burneister, a professional flyer, in Evanston early today. The plane was found wrecked near the Evanston Golf Club with the pilot's seat covered with blood.

The plane was taken from its hangar during the night, Burneister said. A search of hospitals is being made. The theory that the thief may have been shot by some one who surprised him stealing the plane also is held.

Citizens to Meet.

The East Washington Citizens' Association will hold its regular monthly meeting at East Washington Hall, 314 Pennsylvania avenue southeast, Monday night at 8 o'clock. Charles M. Emmons will preside.

## HOW MISS VIRGINIA RAPPE LOOKED IN HER COMEDIES ON THE SCREEN



In "The Punch of the Irish," a comedy screened under direction of Harry Lehman recently, Virginia Rappe, victim of the Arbuckle party, was the central figure. Vied for by aggressive suitors she finally yielded to the importunities of the wooer who had

the good sense to court with a bouquet. The production afforded Miss Rappe many opportunities to appear in bathing scenes, in which her unique costumes made general display of her figure.

## LEHRMAN DENIES HIRING JEROME AS PROSECUTOR

Declares District Attorney Has Proven Energetic and Entirely Capable.

By International News Service.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—Henry Lehman, fiancé of Virginia Rappe, film actress, in connection with whose death "Fatty" Arbuckle is facing a murder charge in San Francisco, today denied to the International News Service that he had retained William Travers Jerome, former district attorney of New York and noted criminal lawyer, to represent him in the presentation of the case against the accused film comedian.

"The report is without foundation," said Lehman.

"I don't know whether I'll retain a lawyer to represent me in the case," he added. "District Attorney Brady has shown himself to be very energetic and entirely capable."

Lehman expressed regret that Mrs. Bambina Delmont was not permitted to accompany Miss Rappe's body to Los Angeles.

"I wanted her to go," he said. "She deserved it for the courage she has shown."

Runs from Cops When None Are Pursuing Him

Department of Agriculture Watchman Committed to Asylum for Observation.

Laboring under the delusion that he was being pursued by policemen who wanted to assault him, William Forrest Gushall, twenty-eight years old, watchman at the Department of Agriculture, early this morning rushed into the business office of The Washington Post and believing the counter pleaded with Victor Hogart, a clerk, to give him protection.

"There's a bunch of policemen after me—see them!" shouted Gushall as he crawled under a counter. Hogart saw no policemen and believing the man was out of his mind, telephoned to Detective Sergeant Ned Weedon at police headquarters to send a couple of detectives for the man.

When Detective Embrey and Thompson went to the newspaper office they recognized Gushall as the watchman who an hour before had telephoned to police headquarters, declaring that four negroes were in the Agriculture Department building attempting to kill him. The detectives made an investigation and found no one at the building but Gushall and returned to police headquarters, reporting that Gushall had delusions.

After being taken from the Post building, Gushall was sent to the Washington Asylum Hospital for observation. He carried a loaded revolver and a flash light when taken into custody.

Women Work on Draft to Secure Equal Rights

Washington women lawyers are today attempting to settle upon a final draft of the proposed amendment to the Constitution to remove the legal discriminations against women and to give them really "equal rights."

The final draft will be taken up by the national council of the National Woman's Party at the meeting in Washington October 1. At a conference of the local women lawyers yesterday in the headquarters of the woman's party, a tentative draft was discussed.

St. John's College Has New Faculty Members

Appointment of four members to the faculty of St. John's College was announced today by the Rev. Brother D. Edward, president of the institution.

They are brother Leonard, Rock Hill College, chemistry and physics; Brother Ephren, St. Thomas College, Savannah, mathematics; Brother D. Augustine, St. Thomas College, assistant instructor in English and history, and R. Granados, University of Seville, Spain, head of Spanish department.

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